

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE

Torrance, California,
April 7, 1924.

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, April 7, 1924, and was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by President Gilbert. The following Trustees were present: Fitzhugh, Proctor and Gilbert. Absent: Smith and Zeller.

The regular order of business was put aside for the time being to open bids for the disposal of Garbage, which bids were as follows:

"Gentlemen:

April 5, 1924.

I hereby offer to dispose of the garbage and refuse from the City of Torrance in accordance with the requirements mentioned in your notice published in the Torrance Herald, calling for bids to be opened April 7, 1924, and do everything required by law for the proper disposal of such refuse and garbage for the sum of \$295.00 per month, for the period of one year.

Respectfully submitted,
Signed: S. Vartanian."

"City of Torrance:

April 7, 1924.

My bid for collecting garbage and cans for the City of Torrance is Three Hundred Dollars \$300.00 per month or a total of Thirty Six Hundred dollars \$3600.00 per year.

Signed: G. M. King."

Trustee Proctor moved that the lowest bidder be investigated before ordering the contract to be made out, and that the contract be let at the next meeting. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried.

As protests against the assessment roll covering the Manuel-Martina district had been advertised for hearing for this time, President Gilbert asked if there were any protests? No protests were forthcoming, neither were any voiced.

City Engineer Jessup read:

RESOLUTION NO. 171
RESOLUTION CONFIRMING PROCEEDINGS, AND ORDERING
WARRANT. *Martini Dist.*

Trustee Fitzhugh moved that Resolution No. 171 be adopted as read, and filed in the office of the City Clerk. Trustee Proctor seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor and Gilbert.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: Smith and Zeller.

The Garbage bids were again referred to, Trustee Fitzhugh stating that they could bank on Mr. King for the work as they knew well he could be depended upon, and that if it were private business, there would be no doubt of who would receive the contract.

Trustee Fitzhugh then moved that the former motion postponing the letting of the contract be rescinded. Trustee Proctor seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Trustee Fitzhugh moved that the contract for the disposal of garbage and refuse be awarded to G. M. King on the strength of his past service at the price of \$300.00 per month, effective April 1, 1924, and that all other bids be rejected. Trustee Proctor seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor and Gilbert.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: Smith and Zeller.

The regular order of business was resumed by the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of March 21, 1924, which were approved as read.

The minutes of the special meeting of March 31, 1924, were read and approved as read.

The D. & B. Pump & Supply Co. requested a permit to build a corrugated iron building on the corner of Carson and Border.

Trustee Fitzhugh moved that the permit be granted. Trustee Proctor seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor and Gilbert.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: Smith and Zeller.

A telegram from the State Department of Agriculture stating that a meeting to consider the question of disposal of garbage would be held the next day, and asking that the City be represented, was read.

On motion by Trustee Proctor, seconded by Trustee Fitzhugh, and a majority vote, Engineer Jessup and Chief Anderson were delegated to attend.

A communication was received from the Department of Education allowing the use of the High School as a voting place.

The letter from the Dominguez Land Co. regarding the rights of way for a road through to Perry was tabled until the next meeting on motion by Trustee Proctor, seconded by Trustee Fitzhugh, and a majority vote.

The written request of the Chanslor-Canfield Midway Co. to move three steel derricks to new locations without the payment of the \$250.00 license--no wells having been drilled on the old locations--was granted on motion by Trustee Proctor, seconded by Trustee Fitzhugh, and a majority vote.

The communication from the Department of Agriculture of the State of California, concerning the foot-and-mouth disease, was referred to attorney Briney.

The request of Mrs. Stevenson to sell flowers on the street from her Auto, was granted, providing no refuse, etc, was allowed to accumulate, on motion by Trustee Fitzhugh, seconded by Trustee Proctor, and the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor and Gilbert.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: Smith and Zeller.

The County Surveyor forwarded a map of a subdivision in this vicinity requesting the Board's o.k. (Tract No 8202)

As the City Engineer recommended the o.k., Trustee Proctor moved its confirmation. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried.

A letter from the Business Men's Association of Torrance gave a graphic account of the expected convention of the Royal Neighbors to be held here on April 12th, asking that places of business be decorated to show the visitors that this was a live place.

Trustee Proctor moved that \$50.00 be allowed toward the decorations. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor and Gilbert.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: Smith and Zeller.

Mr. Malbin's request for a business license was to be taken up later in the evening.

Trustee Fitzhugh reported progress on the redrafting of the Ordinance concerning agents.

Recorder King reported that the Bee Ordinance had been declared unconstitutional and that it was necessary to refund a fine of \$50.00 which had been assessed under this Ordinance, and asked the Board to pay it out of the general fund in preference to it being refunded by him personally.

Trustee Proctor moved that \$50.00 be refunded to Manter J. Wright. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor and Gilbert.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: Smith and Zeller.

Engineer Jessup reported that Plaza Del Amo from Arlington to Carson had been graded and rocked with decomposed granite; that the park at Plaza Del Amo and Arlington had been graded and sowed to grass, and that a side walk had been constructed thereon by abutting property owners.

Attorney Briney reported that the Sewer farm trial would start tomorrow morning; also that he had been in communication with the Pan American Petroleum Co. regarding their franchise. They now wish to stop proceedings on the former application and make a new application for a blanket franchise, letting their deposits remain to cover, after having charged them with the expense already incurred.

Under unfinished business, the matter of rezoning Carson as formerly intended was tabled until the next meeting.

Attorney Briney read:

ORDINANCE NO. 85
IN RE FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE

Trustee Fitzhugh moved that Ordinance No. 85 be adopted as read at its first reading as an emergency ordinance, and the same filed in the office of the City Clerk. Trustee Proctor seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor and Gilbert.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: Smith and Zeller.

The request of Mr. Malbin for a business license to start a Spectro-Chrome Institute was tabled until more data was available.

The matter of the fire hazard behind the Golden West Cafe was up to the Building Inspector, according to the sense of the Board.

Recorder's fines for the month of March amounted to \$538.48.

Building permits for the month of March amounted to \$141,345.00, \$30,000.00 of which was for oil derricks.

Attorney Briney read:

ORDINANCE NO. 86
RECLASSIFYING PROPERTY

Trustee Proctor moved that Ordinance No. 86 be approved for its first reading. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried.

A recess was called in order to honor the cake and punch which was presented and served by Mrs. Lewis.

Attorney Briney read:

ORDINANCE NO. 87

Trustee Fitzhugh moved that Ordinance No. 87 be approved for its first reading. Trustee Proctor seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Trustee Proctor moved that all bills, properly audited, be paid.
Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried by
the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor and Gilbert.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: Smith and Zeller.

The Board extended a vote of thanks to Mrs. Lewis for her
kindness.

At 10:00 P.M., on motion by Trustee Proctor, seconded by
Trustee Fitzhugh, and a majority vote, the meeting was adjourned.

Albert H. Bartlett
City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

W. H. Gilbert
President of the Board of Trustees
of the City of Torrance.

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